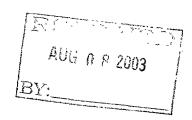


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July 31, 2003



Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30-day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our Vitamin B-12 supplements under the Radiance label:

Ingredients: Ener-B® Vitamin B-12

- Supports Energy Metabolism
- The B vitamins play a role in energy metabolism in the body.
- Vitamin B-12 is essential for normal formation of blood cells and contributes to the health of the nervous system.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

Yoanne DeCandia, MS, RD

Director of Nutrition Communications

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